

STATE OF WASHINGTON PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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October 12, 2005

ANTONI FROEHLING 16208 60TH ST EAST SUMNER WA 98390

Subject: Final Order - PDC Case No. 06-011

Dear Mr. Froehling:

Enclosed is the Public Disclosure Commission's Final Order Imposing Fine that was entered in the above-referenced case. The Commission found that you committed a single violation of RCW 42.17.240, and assessed a penalty of \$750 with \$250 suspended on the condition you pay the \$500 non-suspended portion of the penalty and the \$400 unpaid penalty from Case No. 04-625 within 30 days from the date of this order.

Unless you seek reconsideration of the final order, or exercise your appeal rights as outlined in the order, the \$500 non-suspended portion of the penalty and the \$400 past due penalty (\$900 total) is due at this time. Please note that if the \$500 non-suspended portion of the penalty and \$400 past due penalty (\$900) is not paid within 30 days from the date of this order, the entire \$750 penalty for Case No. 06-011 will be due, plus the \$400 past due penalty.

If you have questions, please contact me at (360) 664-8853 or toll free at 1-877-601-2828 or by e-mail at pstutzman@pdc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Philip E. Stutzman

Director of Compliance

Enclosure

BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

| IN RE COMPLIANCE |) | PDC CASE NO.: 06-011 |
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| WITH RCW 42.17 |) | |
| |) | FINAL ORDER IMPOSING FINE |
| ANTONI FROEHLING |) | |
| |) | |
| Respondent. |) | |
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INTRODUCTION

The Washington State Public Disclosure Commission (Commission) conducted an enforcement hearing under chapters 34.05 and 42.17 RCW and chapter 390-37 WAC on September 15, 2005 with respect to the above-captioned matter. The Commission held the hearing at Evergreen Plaza Building, Room 206, 711 Capitol Way South, in Olympia, Washington. The Commission held the hearing to determine whether the Respondent violated RCW 42.17.240 by failing to file a Statement of Financial Affairs by April 15, 2005. The Staff appeared through Philip E. Stutzman, Director of Compliance. The Respondent requested to participate in the hearing by telephone. Staff made arrangements for this participation, and informed the Respondent that if he was unavailable by telephone, the hearing would proceed without the Respondent's participation. When the Respondent was called during the hearing, staff reached an answering machine with a message stating that Mr. Froehling was not available, and the hearing proceeded without the Respondent.

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During the hearing, the Staff presented, for the Commission's consideration, the Notice of Administrative Charges issued August 31, 2005, which alleged a violation of RCW 42.17.240, and its exhibits, which included: 1) List of Officials received from the Respondent's jurisdiction demonstrating that the Respondent was required to file the F-1 report in 2005; 2) May 10, 2005 Warning Letter reminding the Respondent to file the missing F-1 report; and 3) August 31, 2005 Affidavit of PDC staff member Jennifer Hansen stating that the F-1 report had not been received.

The Commission considered the Notice of Administrative Charges and its incorporated exhibits. The Notice of Administrative Charges and exhibits are incorporated by reference into this Order. The Commission heard oral argument by Staff.

Based on this record, the Commission finds that:

- RCW 42.17.240 requires elected and appointed officials, after January 1st and before
 April 15th of each year, to file with the commission a Statement of Financial Affairs for
 the preceding calendar year.
- The Respondent is a School Director in Sumner School District 320 who held office during 2004 and was required to file a Statement of Financial Affairs (PDC form F-1) by April 15, 2005.
- 3. The Respondent was reminded by letter on May 10, 2005 to file the missing F-1 report.
 The Respondent was notified on August 31, 2005 that he was scheduled for an enforcement hearing before the full Commission on September 15, 2005.
- 4. The F-1 report was received September 13, 2005.

ORDER

Based on the record submitted in this matter, the Commission orders as follows:

- 1. That the Respondent committed a single violation of RCW 42.17.240;
- 2. That a total civil penalty of \$750 is assessed against the Respondent;
- 3. That \$250 of the penalty is suspended on the condition that the Respondent pays the \$500 non-suspended portion of the penalty and the \$400 unpaid penalty from Case No. 04-625 within 30 days from the date of this order.

RECONSIDERATION OF FINAL ORDER - COMMISSION

Any party may ask the Commission to reconsider this final order. Parties must place their requests for reconsideration in writing, include the specific grounds or reasons for the request, and deliver the request to the Public Disclosure Commission Office within Twenty-One (21) business days of the date that the Commission serves this order upon the party. Grounds for reconsideration shall be limited to:

- a) New facts or legal authorities that could not have been brought to the commission's attention with reasonable diligence. If errors of fact are alleged, the requester must identify the specific evidence in the prior proceeding on which the requester is relying. If errors of law are alleged, the requester must identify the specific citation; or
- b) Significant typographical or ministerial errors in the order. Pursuant to RCW 34.05.470, the Public Disclosure Commission is deemed to have denied the petition for reconsideration if, within twenty (20) business days from the date the petition is filed, the Commission does not either dispose of the petition or serve the parties with written notice specifying the date by which it will act on the petition. Pursuant

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FURTHER APPEAL RIGHTS - SUPERIOR COURT

Pursuant to RCW 42.17.395(5), a **final order** issued by the Public Disclosure Commission is subject to judicial review under the Administrative Procedures Act, chapter 34.05 RCW. The procedures are provided in RCW 34.05.510 - .598. Pursuant to RCW 34.05.542(2), a petition for judicial review must be filed with the superior court in Thurston County or the petitioner's county of residence or principal place of business. The petition for judicial review must be served on the Public Disclosure Commission and any other parties within **30 days** of the date that the Public Disclosure Commission serves this final order on the parties.

If reconsideration is properly sought, the petition for judicial review must be served on the Public Disclosure Commission and any other parties within thirty (30) days after the Commission acts on the petition for reconsideration.

ENFORCEMENT OF FINAL ORDERS

The Commission will seek to enforce this final order in superior court under RCW 42.17.395-.397, and recover legal costs and attorney's fees, if the penalty remains unpaid and no petition for judicial review has been filed under chapter 34.05 RCW. This action will be taken without further order by the Commission.

DATED THIS 12th day of October, 2005. FOR THE COMMISSION: VICKI RIPPIE, Executive Director MAILING DATE OF THIS ORDER:

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